

REMARKS

A telephone discussion between the Examiner and Dennis Smid (one of the applicant's undersigned attorneys) was held on March 29, 2007. The applicant and Mr. Smid wish to thank the Examiner for her time and consideration for such discussion.

In the present Office Action, the Examiner indicated that the claims of the present application are directed to the following patentably distinct species:

Species 1: Figures 3, 5, 7, and 9-10;

Species 2: Figures 11-12.

In the March 29 discussion, the Examiner indicated that Figures 3, 5, 7, and 9-10 correspond to claims 1-3; and that Figures 11 and 12 correspond to claims 4-6.

In response to the present election of species requirement, the Applicant hereby elects Species 1 which as indicated above corresponds to claims 1-3. The Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to any or all of the claims corresponding to the non-elected species.

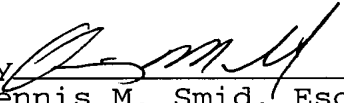
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In the event any fee is due in connection with the present response, the Examiner is authorized to charge Applicant's Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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